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- Together with the present application. [X]
- Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing []date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]
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Consistent with Applicant's obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the following requirements have been met:

- No separate requirements are needed. [X]
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	[]	A copy of the ABSTRACT of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.
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Respectfully submitted,

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This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted under 37 CFR 1.97(b).

Applicant(s) submit herewith Form PTO 1449-Information Disclosure Citation together with copies, of patents, publications or other information of which applicant(s) are aware, which applicant(s) believe(s) may be material to the examination of this application and for which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56.

The relevance of the attached references is that this is the closest art of which Applicant is aware. Applicant submits that the above references taken alone or in combination neither anticipate nor render obvious the present invention. Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application.

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